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TOWN OFFICERS.

Town Clerk—R. B. Sherburne.

Town Treasurer—H. A. Washburn.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor—F. S. Bennett, D. A. Lawrence, W. A. Sherburne.

Constables—R. B. Sherburne, H. J. Keyes, F. P. Sawyer.

Tax Collector—H. E. Swan.

Auditor—Daniel Parham.

Trustees Public Library—Daniel Parham (term expires 1892), Louville Curtis (term expires 1892), W. E. Barry (term expires 1891), A. M. Swain (term expires 1891), F. S. Bennett (term expires 1890), William Blanchard (term expires 1890).

School Committee—J. P. Coburn (term expires 1890), J. N. Bodwell (term expires 1890), Louville Curtis (term expires 1891), C. Whitaker (term expires 1891), J. B. Butterfield (term expires 1890), R. B. Sherburne (term expires 1890).

Highway Surveyors—District No. 1, F. A. Woodward; No. 2, H. E. Swan; No. 3, H. L. Corey; No. 4, M. V. Horton; No. 5, H. J. Keyes; No. 6, F. A. Coburn; No. 7, C. A. Sherburne.

Superintendent of Burial Grounds—J. W. Marshall, C. A. Sherburne, G. E. Marshall, H. E. Swan.

Surveyors of Lumber—A. P. Hadley, E. S. L. Swallow, Henry Carlin, C. H. Worcester, D. A. Lawrence, M. V. Horton.

Surveyors of Wood and Bark—H. L. Corey, W. A. Sherburne, F. P. Gregg, J. G. Upton, F. S. Bennett, F. S. Perham, G. D. Danforth, E. O. Fifield.

Sealer of Leather—I. W. Davis.

Pound Keeper—H. A. Chandler.

Fence Viewers—William Sherburne, John Parham, M. V. Horton.

Hog Reeves—E. S. L. Swallow, H. J. Keyes, John P. Upton, Harry E. Hunter.

Forest Fire Wardens—J. B. Butterfield, J. G. Upton, W. H. Farwell.

Superintendent of Scales—A. A. Flint.

Field Drivers—D. A. Lawrence, D. S. Barry, J. G. Upton, J. F. Chandler.

The Report of the School Committee

FOR THE YEAR 1889-90.

In accordance with a time-honored custom and in obedience to the Public Statutes, your Committee present their Annual Report. We consider therein : the vacancies which have existed in the Board of School Committee during a portion of the year, the changes which have occurred in the list of teachers, the right of all of the children in the town to be taught by "teachers of competent ability." The reason why the Committee have not attempted to provide teachers of competent ability for all of the schools of the town, the increased stringency of the Statutory laws relating to Schools, the income from Mrs. Sarah Winslow's donation, the gift of the School Association, the Report of the Superintendent of Schools, and the desired appropriation for public school purposes.

VACANCIES IN THE BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

On the 14th day of August, two vacancies existed in the Board of School Committee, and a joint convention of the Selectmen and the remaining members of the Board was held, for the purpose of filling them as required by law. At this meeting Messrs. Jesse B. Butterfield and Reuben B. Sherburne were unanimously elected to fill the vacancies until the end of the official year.

TEACHERS.

During the summer vacation, Miss Minna Eliot Tenney, teacher of School Number 8, the Winslow School, was appointed to be a teacher of the town of Watertown, with a

salary of \$600 per year. She therefore declined a re-election, and Miss Lillian H. Chase, a graduate of the State Normal School, of Plymouth, New Hampshire, highly recommended by the principal of that school, and also recommended as a successful teacher since her graduation, was appointed in her stead. She entered upon her duties at the beginning of the school year, the second Monday in September, 1889, under temporary appointment for three months, with the understanding that, if her services should prove satisfactory during the three months, she should receive a permanent appointment as teacher for the remainder of the school year, which ends forty-two weeks after the second Monday in September. At the close of the three months she received the permanent appointment.

Miss Isabelle Louise Atwood was, during the summer vacation, re-appointed teacher of School Number 9, to serve throughout the school year. Fearful that her health would prove insufficient, she requested that she might be allowed to employ an assistant, at her own charges, during the earlier weeks of the first term. Notwithstanding the fact that she has been very careful of her strength outside of the school-room, she now finds herself unable to continue to perform this service, and has resigned her position, her resignation to take effect on Friday, April 4th, in the hope that rest and freedom from care will restore her former good health. Both Miss Atwood and Miss Tenney have proven themselves to be teachers of very competent ability, and persons of excellent moral character. The first regularly trained teachers of proven competency to be employed by the town, employed at the time when such a graded course of studies as is required by law was first introduced into the town schools, the changes which occurred in the school life of the children under their charge were numerous and great, and the surprises which resulted from these changes were met with unusual tact and ability. The loss to the town of their services is heartily regretted.

Previous to the beginning of the school year, Miss

Martha B. Kidder declined, after re-election, to serve as teacher of School Number 5, and Miss Francena E. Coburn declined, after re-election, to serve as teacher of School Number 6, or as teacher of School Number 5, on account of the illness of her mother. Accordingly, Mrs. Georgia M. Sherburne was elected as teacher of School Number 5, and Miss M. Elizabeth Robbins of School Number 6. Both of these persons had previously served the town acceptably in similar schools.

Miss Desiré M. Carver was reappointed teacher of School Number 1 for the Fall and Spring terms, and of School Number 3 for the Winter term, previous to the beginning of the school year.

Because of the fact that four members, that is a majority, of the School Board will, in the ordinary course of affairs, be elected at the annual meeting of the town in April, the Committee have voted to refer all questions of the appointment of teachers for the Spring term, to the incoming Committee, except in the cases of Miss Chase and Miss Carver, appointed.

TEACHERS OF COMPETENT ABILITY.

The Public Statutes require that a teacher of a primary, grammar, or high school, shall be a person of "competent ability," and a number of influences have conspired to raise, gradually and steadily, the standard by which the competency of teachers is commonly judged. The number and excellence of the State Normal and the City Training Schools for teachers; the better work of the graduates of these schools as teachers; the more rapid progress of pupils in schools where more competent teachers are employed; the general progress which has been made in both the science and the art of teaching in the public schools; the increase in the number of trained and competent School Superintendents and School Supervisors who give their whole time to this work; the helpful suggestions and unwearied watchfulness

of the State Boards of Education and their agents ; the activities and lavish expenditures of the editors and publishers of school books and educational journals ; the more universal use of public libraries ; and the generally improved condition of the people at large, in matters of education ; have all been influential in raising the standard by which the competency of teachers is commonly judged. A careful study of the decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court shows that, invariably, the great influence of that deliberative body of last appeal is thrown in favor of better schools, and of a more liberal education for all of the people. It is not surprising then, that intelligent young people who have only a good high school or academy training, and who have never been trained in the now well understood art of public school teaching should no longer be regarded as "teachers of competent ability," when they attempt to teach. In the opinion of your Committee such persons are not such "teachers of competent ability" as it is the legal right of children in Tyngsborough to have, and it remains for your Committee to explain as well as they may be able to do it, why they have not provided all of the children of Tyngsborough with that which is their legal right in so important a matter.

THE REASON WHY THE COMMITTEE HAVE NOT ATTEMPTED TO PROVIDE "TEACHERS OF COMPETENT ABILITY" FOR ALL OF THE SCHOOLS OF THE TOWN.

As is well known, the number of schools desired by the inhabitants of the town is very large in proportion to the number of school children therein, on account of the scattered condition of the population, and the division of the town by the Merrimack River. The Committee have been requested to maintain six schools, in various sections of the town, to accommodate a total of ninety-eight pupils. They found it impracticable to close any of them without objection from the parents of children living in the neighborhood. They have maintained a school for six months in each of the six districts

of the town in which a school was requested by the inhabitants, but they have found it impossible with the funds appropriated by the town and by the state, to employ "teachers of competent ability" in each of the six schools requested by the inhabitants, for six months in the year. They have employed such teachers only in the most thickly settled and most easily accessible portion of the town, the central village, but they have declared that the schools taught by these teachers were open to all children who were legally entitled to attend school in Tyngsborough, no matter in what section of the town they lived, and no children have been refused admission to the village schools because they lived at a distance. While the quality of the teaching in the more thinly settled portions of the town has not, as a whole, been allowed to deteriorate below the former standard, the Committee have not attempted to provide such good schools as they think the children are legally entitled to have, outside of the central village. The only excuse for not doing this, which the Committee have to offer is, that it was impossible to do it without exceeding the appropriations which have been made by the town and by the state.

To leave this topic at this point would be unjust to the teachers who have taught in the more thinly settled portions of the town. None of these teachers have ever claimed to be "teachers of competent ability" in the sense in which the expression is used in this Report. They have proven themselves to be quite as competent as the Committee had any reason to expect them to be, either from their statements to the Committee, or from the salary which has been paid by the town. No complaints have ever reached the Committee that any of them were unsatisfactory to the inhabitants of the district or that they had in any way given cause for complaint. They have, as far as is known to your Committee, faithfully and satisfactorily accomplished whatever was expected of them. It was never expected that any of them were competent to teach such a school as it is the legal right of each child in the town to attend, for while each of them

has been well educated, none of them have been trained in the art of teaching a public school, and any of them with their natural ability would be able to secure a much larger salary than has been paid them by the town, if they should receive the advantage of such training in the art of teaching.

THE STATUTORY LAWS HAVE BECOME MORE STRINGENT IN RECENT YEARS.

The requirements of the Statutory Laws have in several particulars become more and more stringent, in recent years, in the interest of the people at large. The wealthy Cities of the State and the wealthier inhabitants of the towns, are required to pay more than formerly toward the support of schools in the less populous towns. As fast as the people at large learn of and understand their rights in these particulars, they are in the habit of demanding them, and when they demand them they generally get them. It seems not to be generally realized that the children are entitled to have their studies proceed in a regular and orderly course, progressing from easy to hard as the powers of the children develop, and that this orderly progression of studies ought not to be interrupted by permitting an unwise consolidation of classes. Yet this is the fact. On March 14, 1876, the following Act of the General Court became a part of the public school laws of Massachusetts: "The School Committee shall * * * * prescribe as far as is practicable, a course of studies and exercises to be pursued in said schools." That is, in the public schools. Since the second Monday of September, 1888, all of the schools of Tyngsborough, have had such a course of study as is required by law.

THE INCOME FROM MRS. SARAH WINSLOW'S DONATION

Has amounted this year to about \$120, or between one-third and one-fourth of the entire sum expended for tuition in the Winslow School.

THE GIFT OF THE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

As the funds at the disposal of the Committee were insufficient to maintain a Winter's term of School Number 9, a voluntarily formed association of citizens, nearly all of whom had children in that school, raised and paid over to the Treasurer of the town on account of schools, the sum of \$175.55. This sum your Committee were requested to draw upon to such an extent as should prove to be necessary for the purpose of maintaining a Winter's term of School Number 9, to be taught by the teacher regularly employed by the town. Your Committee returned to the Association the unexpended balance of \$14.46 making the net sum expended from the Treasury of the Association, \$161.09.

THE REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

The Committee herewith submit the Report of the Superintendent of Schools as a part of their Report.

It has been the custom of the School Committee to elect a Superintendent of Schools on or before the 25th day of March. Mr. J. N. Bodwell, previous to the expiration of his fourth term of service as Superintendent of Schools, requested the Committee to appoint some other person as his successor. The compensation which is paid to the Superintendent of Schools is trivial when compared with the amount of service which he is accustomed to render, and the thanks of the town are due to Mr. Bodwell for a great amount of valuable and difficult service, faithfully performed.

Because a majority of the Board are expected to be elected at the April meeting, the Committee have voted to request Mr. Bodwell to continue to serve as Superintendent of Schools until his successor shall be appointed. They have also voted to refer the question of the appointment of his successor to the incoming Board of School Committee.

THE DESIRED APPROPRIATIONS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Because a majority of the Board are expected to be elected at the April meeting, your Committee have voted to refer to the incoming Committee all questions of the desired appropriations of money to be made by the town this year, for various purposes in connection with the public schools.

THE REPORT OF THE AGENT OF MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Your committee submit as a part of their report, the following official report of George A. Walton, Esquire, Agent of the Massachusetts Board of Education :

To Chairman of School Committee, Tyngsborough, Mass.:

I made a visit to your schools in October, inspected the four then in session, and reported the results of my observations to the meeting of the committee and teachers held at the time. From notes of the inspection, I am able to present for your annual report to the town, some considerations which may be of general interest.

APPLIANCES FOR TEACHING.

The schools on the whole are not well housed—No. 1 has a window in front of the pupils. The black-board is deficient in extent and poor in quality. The stove-pipe comes between the pupils and the teacher when she is at her table. The entire front of the room should be closed up with a partition in line with the wall at either end of the platform; excepting a door space to the ante-room thus formed, the partition should be covered with a wide black-board. The stove should be removed to one corner of the room.

The primary school in the room over the store is the best fitted room that I visited; it is well heated and ventilated, and is, altogether, an attractive school room. The location of a school, however, in a chamber entered as this is by a store front, is certainly not in keeping with the demands of a primary school. Seclusion and ample grounds for play are among the needs of such an institution.

The Town Hall, in which the High-Grammar School is kept needs no comment ; it is wholly inappropriate for the purposes of a school ; the height of the room puts a constant strain upon the voice and nerves of teacher and pupils. Other objections might be urged, but this should suffice to prompt the town to provide for this important school, and for the primary school at the same time, a suitable building.

There is need of more apparatus for teaching the elementary branches ; I found this fairly abundant in the primary school,—and very well handled, I may add in passing. A liberal appropriation should be made by the town for providing the schools above the primary with books of reference, and the primaries with abundance of interesting and easy reading matter. Twenty-five per cent. of the income of the State School Fund received by the town is available for apparatus, etc. The appropriation made by the town should be sufficient to enable the committee to have a constant supply of text books on hand. Some of these in the Tyngsborough schools were both shabby and filthy. This is an evil which has been introduced by the free text book law ; with the limited appropriations made for school purposes, the committees are tempted to keep the books after they have become unfit for use. Another evil has followed from the free text book law ; the School Committees make frequent changes of books to get the advantage of introduction prices. I found that many changes of text books have been made in Tyngsborough, whether on this account, I do not know. Frequent changes are a hindrance to good progress in the schools.

ORGANIZATION OF SCHOOLS.

For the efficiency and economy of the schools, their number should be as few as possible. Tyngsborough is to be commended for her efforts in this direction. The money spent in transporting the children of a sparse and limited population to one central school, is usually twice saved—it gives better schooling at less rate than if each parent had a school kept at his own door.

The effort is also commendable to try to arrange the schools in distinct grades,—to maintain a High School, as Tyngsborough does, also a proper primary school. While this is so, on the other hand, there is danger in the administration of the schools having all grades of children together, that the teacher will waste the time in hearing recitations of class after class, each too small to bear the name of class, in the effort to have a perfect grading.

In such a school as your No. 1, I should advise doing the principal part of the class work in three classes or grades. The lowest class in that school would consist of one pupil, the highest of four pupils, the middle class of all the other pupils. This would imply much more true teaching by the teacher, and much more individual work, by each pupil. It would require the teacher to provide, and the pupils to do, a large amount of written work. Usually little or no teaching is done in this class of schools; your town appeared to be no exception to the general rule. I should say the schools were well *kept*, but they lacked proper teaching and drill, and that what they require is superior skill for their administration, superior teachers under a superior supervisor.

The teaching force is essential to the proper administration of a school. This is to be selected by the supervisory body, by the committee or superintendent of schools. In general the choice of teachers trained for their work in Normal or training schools, proves most satisfactory. In your town the two of this class seemed to be doing work of a highly satisfactory kind. I made notes favorable to the physical training, the arithmetic, and the language teaching of these schools.

Your committee show their wisdom by the adoption of a set of questions prepared by one of our most successful superintendents, for testing the progress of your own pupils.

Altogether, the devotion of your teachers, the intelligence of many of their methods and much of their management, the good spirit and earnest application of your children, with the courteous consideration shown by the committee and superintendent to suggestions, denoted a healthy condition in school affairs so far as the possibilities for good schools are concerned.

My remarks have already indicated directions in which the people can do more towards providing the means of keeping up the good name of the town by keeping the schools fully abreast of the times. I see nothing to prevent the town from making a somewhat more generous appropriation for the schools. The money annually appropriated for the schooling of each child in Tyngsborough is \$13.01, the average for Middlesex County is \$16.09. The rank of the town in the county in this respect is thirty-second in the list of fifty-four towns. The ratio of tax for the support of schools to the town's valuation is 2.98 mills to one dollar; the average for the county is 3.25 mills; in this respect the town's rank in the county is fortieth.

The town could do no greater service for her children than to unite with several of the neighboring towns, under the Act of the Legislature for 1888, and employ a permanent Superintendent of Schools. The act is a just and liberal contribution of the wealth of the state, which pays ninety per cent. of the taxes, to the rural towns to aid them in improving their schools. About sixty towns have already accepted the provisions of this act, and with every prospect of reaping abundant and positive benefit.

Yours respectfully,

GEO. A. WALTON,

Agent Mass. Board of Ed.

CHANNING WHITAKER,

LOUVILLE CURTIS,

JOHN P. COBURN,

J. N. BODWELL,

R. B. SHERBURNE,

JESSE B. BUTTERFIELD,

School Committee of the Town of Tyngsborough.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

To the School Committee of Tyngsboro' :

GENTLEMEN—I herewith submit the following report of the schools of this town for the year ending March 24, 1890 :

STATISTICS OF THE DIFFERENT SCHOOLS.

School Number.	TEACHERS.	Length of school in months.	Wages of teacher per month.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Average per cent. of attendance.	Pupils not absent.	Pupils not tardy.	Whole number of tardy marks.	Number of pupils between 8 and 14 years.	No. pupils under 5 years.	Number of pupils over 15 years.	Whole No. of pupils.	Visitors registered.
<i>Spring Term.</i>														
1	Desiré M. Carver...	3	\$28.	12.50	11.70	93.60	4	10	14	7	0	0	14	18
3	M. Lizzie Robbins ..	3	28.	4.66	4.30	92.06	0	1	94	3	0	0	5	7
5	M. B. Kidder.....	2.25	28.	13.70	12.70	92.70	3	13	1	7	0	0	14	34
6	Francena E. Coburn.	3	26.	2.30	1.70	95.65	1	2	1	2	0	0	3	11
8	Minna E. Tenney...	2.5	50.	23.20	22.41	96.62	13	17	10	12	0	6	24	12
9	Isabelle L. Atwood.	2.5	45.	24.82	23.34	94.03	16	27	5	23	0	0	32	13
<i>Summer Term.</i>														
8	Minna E. Tenney...	2.15	50.	15.32	14.90	97.25	6	6	28	9	0	3	16	18
9	Isabelle L. Atwood.	2.25	45.	13.82	13.47	97.46	9	22	11	23	0	0	28	35
<i>Fall Term.</i>														
1	Desiré M. Carver...	3	28.	13.70	13.30	95.42	2	8	23	8	0	0	14	10
5	Georgia M. Sherburne	3	28.	12.27	11.27	91.84	2	5	17	9	0	0	13	29
6	M. Lizzie Robbins ..	3	28.	2.92	2.60	89.04	2	1	4	2	0	0	3	8
8	Lillian H. Chase...	2.5	47.36	20.30	19.66	97.14	8	13	26	20	0	4	22	31
9	Isabelle L. Atwood..	2.75	52.64	13.82	13.47	97.48	5	9	17	10	0	0	16	29
<i>Winter Term</i>														
1	Desiré M. Carver...	3	28.	8.92	8.60	96.41	6	5	7	4	0	1	9	5
8	Lillian H. Chase....	2.25	47.36	25.80	22.75	88.17	3	9	84	23	0	5	26	9
9	Isabelle L. Atwood.	2.25	52.64	13.62	11.87	87.14	0	13	10	11	0	0	19	26

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Number of persons in town May 1, 1889, between 5 and 15 years of age	83
Number of pupils attending school during the year	98
Number of pupils under 5 years of age.....	0
Number of pupils over 15 years of age	10
Number of pupils between 8 and 14 years of age.....	79
Average membership of schools.....	89.57
Average attendance of schools	82.99
Percentage of attendance based upon average membership.....	92.65
Aggregate in months that all the schools have kept during the year	42.35
Whole number of tardy marks during the year.....	274
Current expenses including salaries of teachers, care of houses, fuel, books, supplies, etc.....	\$1,833.12

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.**RECEIPTS.**

Town appropriation for schools	\$1,000 00
Town appropriation for books and supplies	150 00
Massachusetts School Fund.....	303 31
Dog tax.....	84 75
Winslow fund	119 73
Tuition, town of Chelmsford.....	4 00
town of Westford.....	4 75
Mrs. Hall.....	3 00
Supplies sold	2 49
School Association fund:	
For support of school No. 9, winter term, 1889-90.....	\$175 55
Unexpended balance returned to its treasurer,	14 46
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Net proceeds of school Association fund.	161 09
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	\$1,833 12

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries of teachers.....	\$1,555 71
Books and supplies.....	58 30
Fuel and preparation of same.....	84 63
Care of houses	58 25
Miscellaneous	32 23
City of Lowell, tuition of Chase children	44 00
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	\$1,833 12

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Desire M. Carver, spring, No. 1.....	\$84 00
Desire M. Carver, fall, No. 1.....	84 00
M. Lizzie Robbins, spring, No. 3.....	84 00
Desire M. Carver, winter, No. 3.....	84 00
Martha B. Kidder, spring, No. 5.....	63 00
Georgia M. Sherburne, fall, No. 5.....	84 00
Francena E. Coburn, spring, No. 6.....	72 00
Lizzie M. Robbins, fall, No. 6.....	84 00
Minnie E. Tenney, spring, No. 8.....	} 459 16
Minnie E. Tenney, summer, No. 8.....	
Lillian H. Chase, fall, No. 8.....	
Lillian H. Chase, winter, No. 8.....	} 457 55
Isabelle L. Atwood, spring, No. 9.....	
Isabelle L. Atwood, summer, No. 9.....	
Isabelle L. Atwood, fall, No. 9.....	
Isabelle L. Atwood, winter, No. 9.....	
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\$1,555 71	

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

F. M. Ambrose	\$5 00
Boston School Supply Co.....	4 14
Thorp & Adams	13 29
Geo. F. King & Merrill.....	3 00
Prang Educational Co	2 88
Boston School Supply Co.....	5 87
Harper Bros.....	4 63
F. M. Ambrose	2 47
Boston School Supply Co.....	1 13
William Ware & Co.....	6 67
Boston School Supply Co.....	6 00
Harrison Hume....	1 28
A. C. Stockin.....	56
Ginn & Co.....	1 38
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\$58 30	

FUEL AND PREPARATION OF SAME.

F. S. Bennett.....	\$6 75
H. A. Washburn	17 50
J. F. Chandler.....	4 50
Silas Roberts.....	2 00
Geo. D. Danforth	4 06
Lewis W. Morgan	2 00
G. D. Danforth	1 25
G. O. Perham.....	2 25
F. S. Bennett.....	9 25
J. H. D. Littlehale Co.....	28 07
H. A. Washburn	7 00
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\$84 63	

CARE OF HOUSES.

Silas Roberts, No. 1.....	\$ 2 00
George Brown, No. 1.....	2 00
Daniel Quinlan, No. 3.....	4 00
C. A. Danforth, No. 5.....	2 00
G. M. Sherburne, No. 5.....	2 00
M. L. Robbins, No. 6.....	2 00
W. E. Fifield, No. 9.....	15 50
C. W. Davis, No. 9.....	28 75

 \$58 25
MISCELLANEOUS.

Mrs. Bradden, cleaning, No. 1.....	\$1 00
Mrs. Swanwick, cleaning, No. 5.....	2 00
Mrs. Hunter, cleaning, Nos. 8 and 9	4 75
Mrs. J. Connell, cleaning, No. 3.....	1 50
Town of Dunstable, tuition.....	14 25
Express, postage and administering oaths	6 23
James Danforth, repairs, No. 5.....	1 25
Broom, etc	70
William Blanchard.....	65

 \$32 33
ROLL OF HONOR.**Names of pupils not absent or tardy for one or more terms.**

FOUR TERMS.	
Riberot Dutton,	Jesse R. Taft.
THREE TERMS.	
Alice Pratt,	Harriet Whitaker.
TWO TERMS.	
Ina R. Butterfield,	Mason Pratt,
Maud A. Parham,	Wendell Blanchard,
Hope Dutton,	Bernice Sherburne,
Wesley Marshall,	Bertha Sherburne.
ONE TERM.	
Carrie Talbot,	Alice Talbot,
Lizzie Henry,	Channing Whitaker, Jr.,
Frank Robinson,	May Hadley,
Ralph Fifield,	Charles Connell,
Ada Swanwick,	Blanch Woodward,
Fannie F. Upton,	Walter Brown,
Charles W. Danforth,	Ellon F. Danforth,
Sadie Hunter,	Annie Daggett,
Travis Johnson,	Emma Connell,
Eva M. Connell,	Maud Connell,
Clara J. Swanwick.	

A careful examination of the report will show that over forty-two (42) months of schooling have been furnished the present year at an expense to the town of about one hundred and twenty (\$120.00) dollars less than the cost of the thirty-six (36) months of the previous year.

The percentage of attendance for the current year is a fraction over one (1) per cent. less than last, but considering the great amount of sickness during the winter, the showing is much better than was anticipated and indicates an increasing interest in school work.

J. N. BODWELL,

Superintendent of Schools.

Tyngsboro', Mass., March 24, 1890.

Twelfth Annual Library Report.

At the usual examination into the condition of the Library your trustees were convinced by the evidences of good order, smoothly working methods, and general appearance of the institution that the Librarian's keen interest continues unabated, and that the town is well served.

"All things come to him who will but wait," is an old saying that those interested in the Library have recently realized. We heartily congratulate the reading public in now having a comparatively commodious, dry, airy, well-warmed and lighted room in which, not only the young, but those whose school days are over, can assemble weekly and receive the means whereby further knowledge and information may be acquired and entertainment furnished for the lighter hours.

While we emphatically endorse the opinions expressed in former reports regarding the importance of encouraging a taste for the instructive, rather than the diverting, in literature, we think that well written works of fiction deserve a niche in the Library. They certainly help to form the habit of reading, and that habit once established, the mind usually, sooner or later, demands more variety.

The annual picnic was held at Willow Dale, although apparently enjoyed by all, the attendance was smaller than in some years and a corresponding amount of money was realized for the purchase of books. In the expenditure of which an effort was made to tide over the hard times:

Realized from picnic, \$48.00. Expended for books, \$43.50. Magazines, \$4.50.

We are under obligations to several persons for donations of books, etc. Notably to the Hon. William A. Richardson,

Chief Justice of the Court of Claims, Washington, D. C.
May the memory of the Tyngsboro' Public Library continue
to keep green in his heart.

We would suggest that the town ought to appropriate
something annually, be the amount large or small, for the
purchase of books, instead of giving intermittently as in the
past. Thus showing that the citizens take a constant, if
moderate interest in the Library.

WM. BLANCHARD,
DANIEL PARHAM,
WM. E. BARRY,
ASA M. SWAIN,
LOUVILLE CURTIS,
F. S. BENNETT,

Trustees Tyngsboro' Public Library.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To The Trustees of the Tyngsboro' Public Library:

GENTLEMEN—The following Report contains the statistics of the Library for the year ending February 20, 1890 :

Whole number of volumes in the Library.....	3,316
Number of volumes added during the year.....	90
Number of volumes added by purchase.....	45
Number of bound volumes donated.....	9
Number of unbound volumes donated.....	27
Number of unbound pamphlets donated.....	2
Number of public documents received.....	9
Number of volumes rebound.....	25
Number of volumes lost.....	1
Number of books delivered during the year.....	3,601
Number of days Library open for delivery of books.....	51
Average number of books delivered each day.....	70.6
Number of persons taking books from Library.....	245

Periodicals regularly received:

North American Review,
Arena,
St. Nicholas,
*Harper's Magazine,

Forum,
Scribner's Magazine,
Garden and Forest,
*Lippincott's,
*Cosmopolitan.

*Presented by Chief Justice William A. Richardson, Washington, D. C.

LIZZIE T. CURTIS,
Librarian.

LIBRARY ACCOUNT.

Cash balance from last year.....	\$8 34
Received for fines.....	7 18
Received for Catalogues.....	50
	\$16 02
Paid for stove.....	\$3 00
Paid for books.....	2 75
Paid for magazines.....	7 50
Paid for postage.....	18
Cash to balance.....	2 59
	\$16 02

H. A. WASHBURN,
Treasurer Public Library.

Tyngsboro', March 24, 1890.

Report of the Town Clerk.

TYNGSBOROUGH, MASS., March 24, 1890.

To the Selectmen of the Town of Tyngsborough:

Gentlemen—I herewith submit the following report:

*Number of Marriages Recorded for the Year ending
December 31st, 1889, Eight.*

- Feb. 24—George W. Bagley, Tyngsborough, aged 38.
Genevive Wilson, Newton, Mass., aged 20.
March 28—Harry E. Hunter, Tyngsborough, aged 22.
Etta M. Upton, Dunstable, Mass., aged 26.
June 1—C. Frank Butterfield, Tyngsborough, aged 21.
N. Lorraine Sargent, Chelmsford, Mass., aged 21.
August 28—Charles A. Sherburne, Tyngsborough, aged 30.
Annette M. Davis, Lowell, Mass., aged 30.
June 4—Fred. A. Coburn, Tyngsborough, aged 30.
Martha E. Higgins, Woodford's, Me., aged 28.
Sept. 26—Allen S. Blood, Pepperell, Mass., aged 44.
Harriet A. Ford, Kings County, Nova Scotia, aged 40.
Sept. 28—Henry Bloomfield, Altoona, Pa., aged 47.
Laura J. Gould, Tyngsborough, aged 47.
Dec. 25—Herbert M. Wilson, Nashua, N. H., aged 22.
Lulu M. Anthony, Providence, R. I., aged 19.

Number of Births Recorded, Eight.

- February 8—Clarence Herbert Swan.
March 25—Claude Rupert Knight.
May 4—Daniel R. Connell.
June 29—Harriet Maude Stoddard.
March 10—Gertrude Marrion Amazeen.
July 3—Elizabeth Ruby Talbot.
July 29—Edith Ames Sherburne.
November 1—Charles Cleveland Laranway.

Number of Deaths Recorded, Ten.

- Feb. 5—Caroline A. Dutton, aged 46 yrs., 5 mos., Bright's disease.
March 19—Frederick Blanchard Sherburne, aged 25 yrs., 4 mos., 18 days, Phthisis.

April 20—Ebenezer Swan, aged 84 yrs., 4 mos., 13 days, Heart disease.
 May 7—Susan P. Heald, aged 73 yrs., Heart disease.
 July 3—Zephaniah Kittredge, aged 72 yrs., 11 mos., 7 days, Suicide.
 Sept. 23—Susan C. Coburn, 48 yrs., 3 mos., 24 days, Disease of Liver.
 Oct. 24—Elizabeth Flint, aged 73 yrs., Pneumonia.
 Nov. 1—Cyrus Butterfield, aged 85 yrs., 5 mos., 19 days, Old age.
 Oct. 30—Alfred Perham, aged 64 yrs., 2 mos., 21 days, Paralysis.
 July 29—Betsy W. Washburn, aged 76 yrs., Old age.
 Average age, 64 yrs., 9 mos., 20 days.

Number of dogs licensed, 46.—Males 44, at \$2.00.....	\$88 00
Females 2, at \$5.00.....	10 00
Total	<u>\$98 00</u>
Clerk's fees.....	8 80
Balance paid County Treasurer	<u>\$89 20</u>

Respectfully,

R. B. SHERBURNE, Town Clerk.

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT.

For the Year Ending March 25, 1890.

RECEIPTS.

By cash in treasury March 18, 1889.....	\$1,111 50
of H. E. Swan, collector.....	3,685 70
of H. L. Swan, for 1888	132 67
of R. B. Sherburne, for 1887	202 05
of R. B. Sherburne, for 1886	50 00
rent of Ferry House.....	38 00
of state, for support of state paupers.....	289 74
for liquor license, Jona. Bowers	300 00
of Prescott National Bank.....	500 00
use of road scraper.....	12 00
town of Westford, tuition.....	4 75
for old road scraper.....	5 00
from school committee, private contribution.....	176 05
of James Danforth, school money overdrawn.....	2 36
corporation tax.....	473 71
National bank tax.....	192 96
state aid.....	12 00
state school fund	303 31
dog licenses.....	84 74
Town of Chelmsford, tuition.....	5 00
tuition and school supplies sold.....	5 49
for use of town hearse.....	2 00
Winslow school fund.....	119 73
reimbursed by Overseers of Poor.....	69 45
use of hay scales	18 50
use of town hall.....	8 50
school money reimbursed by J. N. Bodwell.....	6 75
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	\$7,810 96

EXPENDITURES.

To cash paid on town orders.....	\$4,316 51
state treasury on account of liquor licences, $\frac{1}{4}$ part....	75 00
Interest on town note, City Institution for Savings, Lowell ..	180 00
Principal on town note.....	1,000 00
Prescott National Bank.....	500 00
Interest on same three months at five per cent.....	5 76
Paid state tax.....	380 00
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	\$6,457 27
Balance in treasury March 25, 1890.....	1,353 69
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	\$7,810 96

H. A. WASHBURN, *Town Treasurer.*

TYNGSBOROUGH, March, 25, 1890.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

For the Year Ending March 24, 1890.

LAWRENCE FUND.

Income of fund for this year	\$300 00	
Balance from last year.....	133 54	
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Paid Robert Connell, part pay for horses.....	\$275 00	\$433 54
H. A. Chandler.....	158 54	
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Paid H. A. Chandler, from the interest on balance of Lawrence fund to balance town farm account..		\$433 54 105 02

TRUST FUNDS—\$6,667.50 of the Lawrence fund for the poor remains invested in the city of Boston 5's, 1905. The balance of the fund (\$332.50) is in the City Institution for savings at Lowell. The Lawrence poor fund of \$1000.00 is invested in the Butterfield wood lot (so called). There is invested in the City Institution for Savings \$519.48, by wood sold from the Butterfield lot (so called).

POOR OFF THE FARM.

Paid Worcester Lunatic Hospital.....	\$169 46	
City of Lowell, board of Esther Holmes.....	119 26	
Town of Westford, medical attendance and board of Sarah and Ella Ingalls.....	55 50	
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		\$344 22

STATE PAUPER.

Paid Dr. Dutton, medical attendance on W. A. C. Thompson..	\$4 50	
Mrs. Pauline Glidden, board of same.....	21 14	
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		\$25 64

STATE AID.

Mrs Eliza J. Abbott.....	\$24 00	
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		\$393 86

F. S. BENNETT,
D. A. LAWRENCE,
W. A. SHERBURNE,

Overseers of the Poor.

Selectmen's Report.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Henry E. Swan, collector of taxes.....	\$60 00
J. N. Bodwell, salary as superintendent of schools.....	60 00
J. N. Rodwell, care of school books	15 00
Daniel Parham, auditor, three years.....	9 00
D. A. Lawrence, salary as assessor.....	22 25
D. A. Lawrence, salary as overseer of poor.....	11 50
D. A. Lawrence, salary as selectman.....	2 00
H. A. Washburn, salary as treasurer.....	25 00
W. A. Sherburne, salary as selectman.....	16 10
W. A. Sherburne, salary as assessor.....	26 62
W. A. Sherburne, salary as overseer of the poor.....	7 00
F. S. Bennett, salary as assessor.....	26 75
F. S. Bennett, salary as overseer of the poor.....	23 25
F. S. Bennett, salary as selectman.....	22 25
R. B. Sherburne, salary as town clerk.....	25 00
A. A. Flint, superintendent of scales.....	10 00
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	\$361 72

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Division No. 1.—F. A. Woodward.....		\$173 76
2.—H. E. Swan, roads.....	\$80 35	
H. E. snow bill.....	8 40	
	<hr/>	88 75
3.—H. L. Corey.....		101 50
4.—M. V. Horton, roads.....	\$78 35	
M. V. Horton, snow bill....	2 00	
	<hr/>	80 35
5.—H. J. Keyes.....		78 40
6.—F. A. Coburn.....		99 95
7.—C. A. Sherburne, roads....	\$115 95	
C. A. Sherburne, bridge....	36 75	
	<hr/>	152 70
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		\$775 41

INCIDENTAL.

Paid James T. Lund, repairs on school-houses.....	\$6 72
Daniel Parham, sundries as per bill for town records	9 90
Robert Connell, balance of pay for horses on town farm.....	75 00
Morning Mail Co., town reports.....	72 00
A. C. Varnum, legal advice for 1888.....	25 00
R. B. Sherburne, for constable badges.....	2 40
Louville Curtis, surveying and plan of town land...	14 50
Lucy Littlefield, copying town records.....	98 25
D. A. Lawrence, cutting wood and timber on town farm.....	69 45
H. L. Swan, collecting taxes.....	5 00
H. J. Keyes, enforcing dog law.....	2 50
I. W. Davis, janitor town hall building.....	45 00
Bachelor, Dumas & Co., binding town records.....	6 50
Wm. Blanchard, repairs on town library.....	17 95
Mrs. Louville Curtis, salary as librarian.....	40 00
Mrs. Louville Curtis, express on books.....	1 15
F. S. Bennett, stove for library.....	3 00
William Blanchard, furniture for library.....	2 10
Bachelor, Dumas & Co., binding books for library	57 05
Morning Mail Co., book labels.....	3 25
Geo. D. Danforth, shelves for library.....	7 83
Miss D. M. Carver, copying valuation book.....	4 00
A. P. Bateman, shingles for Ferry house.....	18 55
J. B. Butterfield, conducting funerals, as per bill,..	23 00
John A. Butterfield, labor on Ferry house.....	9 75
Morning Mail Co., printing tax bills.....	2 25
Henry E. Swan, care of cemetery.....	10 00
E. C. Gotham, repairs on school-houses.....	7 27
Geo. E. Marshall, care of cemetery.....	3 00
Mrs. Caroline Littlehale, rent of primary school-room.....	92 00
Taylor Shingling Co., repairs on school-house No. 3	66 80
James T. Lund, repairs on school-houses.....	20 71
E. C. Gotham, repairs on primary school-room.....	2 00
A. A. Flint, sundries, as per bill.....	13 32
J. T. Lund, repairs on school-house.....	2 61
J. G. Upton, lumber for school-houses.....	11 77
W. A. Sherburne, sundries, as per bill.....	21 13
Dr. Chas. Dutton, medical attendance on paupers...	23 00
R. B. Sherburne, reading and verifying town records	25 00
R. B. Sherburne, recording 15 marriages.....	2 25
R. B. Sherburne, recording 16 births.....	7 80
R. B. Sherburne, recording 28 deaths.....	5 60
H. A. Washburn, care of weights and measures....	3 00
H. A. Washburn, stationery.....	1 87

 \$941 23

SUMMARY.

Poor off the Farm.....	\$344 22
Sate pauper.....	25 64
State aid.....	24 00
Roads and bridges.....	775 41
Town officers.....	361 72
Incidental.....	941 23
Schools.....	1,856 79
Total.....	<hr/> \$4,329 01

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.**LIABILITIES.**

Owe City Institution for Savings.....	\$2,000 00
Amount of outstanding orders.....	12 50
	<hr/> \$2,012 50

ASSETS.

Due from estate of Archie Waugh.....	\$79 28
Due for State aid.....	12 00
Cash in treasury.....	1,353 69
Uncollected tax for 1889.....	148 38
Uncollected tax for 1888.....	18 13
Uncollected tax for 1887.....	376 55
Uncollected tax for 1886.....	192 50
Uncollected tax for 1885.....	80 78
Uncollected tax for 1884.....	32 66
	<hr/> \$2,293 97
Balance in favor of town.....	<hr/> \$281 47

FRANK S. BENNETT,
DANIEL A. LAWRENCE,
W. A. SHERBURNE,
Selectmen of Tyngsborough.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Valuation of real estate, May 1, 1889.....	\$296,865 00
Valuation of personal property, May 1, 1889.....	60,324 00
Total valuation.....	<u>\$357,189 00</u>

Number of polls.....	191
Number of dwelling houses.....	138
Number of horses.....	152
Number of cows.....	299
Number of other neat cattle.....	132
Number of sheep.....	36
Number of swine.....	38
Number of persons assessed.....	306
Number of persons paying tax on property.....	227
Number of persons paying poll tax only.....	79
State tax.....	\$380 00
County tax.....	\$294 60
Rate of taxation	\$11 00
Total tax.....	<u>\$4,311 69</u>

F. S. BENNETT,
D. A. LAWRENCE,
W. A. SHERBURNE,
Assessors of Tyngsborough.

Tax Collectors' Report.

TYNGSBOROUGH, March 24, 1890.

To the Assessors:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith submit a report as Collector of Taxes for the year 1889.

Amount of warrant for 1889.....	\$4,320 22	
Interest collected	5 11	
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		\$4,325 33
Paid town treasurer.....	\$3,685 70	
Paid county treasurer.....	294 60	
Discount allowed.....	171 67	
Abated by assessors	24 98	
Taxes due.....	148 38	
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		\$4,325 33

Respectfully,

HENRY E. SWAN, *Collector.*

TYNGSBOROUGH, Mass., March 24, 1890.

To the Assessors:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith submit to you my report as Collector for the year 1888.

Taxes due, March 18, 1889	\$155 90	
Interest collected.....	4 11	
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		\$160 01
Paid town treasurer ..	\$132 67	
Abated by Assessors.....	9 21	
Taxes due.....	18 13	
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		\$160 01

H. L. SWAN, *Collector.*

TYNGSBOROUGH, Mass., March 25, 1890.

To the Assessors of the town of Tyngsborough:

Herewith please find statement of taxes still in my hands as collector.

Balance taxes and interest due March 19, 1889, for 1884.....	\$190 61	
Interest due	11 50	
	<hr/>	\$202 11
Taxes and interest abated by assessors	\$169 45	
Balance due.....	32 66	
	<hr/>	\$202 11
Balance taxes and interest due March 19, 1889, for 1885.....	\$185 25	
Interest due.....	11 11	
	<hr/>	\$196 36
Taxes and interest abated by assessors.....	\$115 58	
Balance taxes and interest due	80 78	
	<hr/>	\$196 26
Balance tax and interest due March 19, 1889, for 1886.....	\$260 67	
Interest due	15 64	
	<hr/>	\$276 31
Abated taxes and interest.....	\$33 81	
Paid treasurer	50 00	
Balance taxes and interest.....	192 50	
	<hr/>	\$276 31
Balance taxes and interest due March 19, 1889, for 1887	\$592 16	
Interest due	28 80	
	<hr/>	\$620 96
Paid treasurer on account, 1887.....	\$202 05	
Abated by assessors	43 36	
Balance tax and interest due.....	376 55	
	<hr/>	\$620 96

R. B. SHERBURNE, *Collector.*

TOWN FARM ACCOUNT.

INCOME.

Milk.....	\$544 82
Cider.....	7 06
Beef.....	12 34
Pork.....	7 87
Sled.....	8 00
Vegetables.....	29 61
Apples.....	102 35
Calves.....	31 00
Hay.....	92 19
Labor.....	117 15
	\$952 39

EXPENSES.

Groceries and Provisions.....	\$309 86
Drugs and medicines.....	11 95
Clothing.....	18 65
Grain.....	250 40
Labor on farm.....	94 00
Use of bull.....	5 50
Blacksmithing.....	37 83
House Furnishing.....	24 78
Two shoats.....	10 00
Medical attendance on cows.....	4 00
Tools and repairs.....	64 98
Tobacco.....	6 10
Garden seeds.....	3 90
Salary.....	375 00
	\$1,216 95
Balance against farm.....	\$264 56
Valuation of personal property March 16, 1889.....	\$1,643 68
Valuation of personal property March 18, 1890.....	1,859 14
	\$215 46

Average number of inmates, 3.

Number of tramps lodged and fed, 247.

H. A. CHANDLER, *Superintendent.*

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the accounts of the Town Treasurer, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, School Committee, and Treasurer of the Public Library, and find them well vouched and correctly cast.

DANIEL PARHAM, *Auditor*.

TYNGSBOROUGH, March 26, 1890.

TOWN WARRANT,

FOR ANNUAL MEETING APRIL 7TH, 1890.

MIDDLESEX SS.

To R. B. Sherburne, Constable of the Town of Tyngsborough.

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Tyngsborough, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Tyngsborough, on Monday, the seventh day of April next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz :

- Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To hear reports of Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.
- Art. 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
- Art. 4. To see if the Town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.
- Art. 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations for the same.
- Art. 6. To see what discount, if any, the Town will allow on taxes paid on or before a certain time, and what interest, if any, the Town will charge on Taxes unpaid after a certain time.
- Art. 7. To see in what way the dog fund shall be used.
- Art. 8. To see what compensation the Town will allow the Collector of Taxes the ensuing year.

- Art. 9. Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquor in this Town? Ballots shall be "Yes" or "No" in answer to the preceding question.
- Art. 10. To see if the Town will discharge from all obligations, for rent of the Town Hall, the friends of the school there taught, the past few weeks.
- Art. 11. To see if the Town will build a new school house, obtain land for the same, alter the Winslow School Building into a Town Hall, procure a fire-proof receptacle for the Town Records, or do or act anything in relation thereto.
- Art. 12. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chap. 431, Acts of 1888, relating to the employment of a Superintendent of Schools and appropriate money therefor.
- Art. 13. To see if the Town will sell to J. G. Upton, a part or the whole of the northerly Town House shed, together with the land which it occupies, or do or act anything in relation thereto.
- Art. 14. To see if the Town will grant the Boston & Maine Railroad Company leave to fill the passage to the Merrimack River, near Biscuit Brook, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up an attested copy at the Post Office, and an attested copy at the Unitarian Meeting House, ten days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, to the Town Clerk at the time of said meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this the twenty-seventh day of March, A. D. 1890.

F. S. BENNETT,
D. A. LAWRENCE,
W. A. SHERBURNE,

Selectmen of Tyngsborough.

RECORD OF TOWN MEETINGS.

To the Selectmen of the Town of Tyngsborough:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith submit to you an abstract of votes passed at the various meetings holden by the town of Tyngsborough.

At the annual meeting holden April 1, 1889:

- Voted,* To dispense with the reading of the several reports.
Voted, To accept the report of the directors of the Public Library.
Voted, To accept the School Committee's report.
Voted, That the Superintendent of Schools' report be accepted.
Voted, That the town Clerk's report be accepted.
Voted, To accept the report of the town Treasurer.
Voted, To accept the Selectmen's report.
Voted, To accept the Assessors' report.
Voted, To accept the Superintendent of the Town Farm's report.
Voted, To accept the Collectors' report.
Voted, To accept the Auditor's report.
Voted, To accept the Town Clerk's report of Town Meetings.
Voted, To accept the report of the committee to establish bounds of Town land.
Voted, To reconsider the foregoing vote.
Voted, That the committee continue work and establish the bounds of all land belonging to the town near the Unitarian Church.
Voted, To further instruct the Committee "on enlarging the Thompson burying grounds," by giving them power to take an acre of ground, more or less, instead of half an acre as was voted at the last annual meeting.
Voted, To give the committee on horse sheds further time in which to complete their work.
Voted, To excuse Moses F. Davis from having his name on the list of Jurors.

LIST OF JURORS AS ACCEPTED.

Charles S. Coburn,
Peter Littlehale,
Henry J. Keyes,
Edward O. Fifield,

William E. Fifield,
Frederick E. Marshall,
William Parham,
Jesse B. Butterfield,

Francis Day.

Voted, That the Board of Trustees of the Public Library consist of six persons.

Voted, To omit choosing School Committee, and to instruct the Selectmen to call a Town Meeting, April 22nd instant, to determine how many School Committees shall be elected, and to choose a School Committee.

Voted, Not to excuse F. P. Sawyer from serving as constable.

Voted, That the discount and interest on taxes should be the same as last year.

Voted, That the superintendents of burying grounds clean their respective yards of bushes and rubbish and that Town pay for doing the same.

Voted, That the expense of clearing the burying yards shall not exceed ten dollars per yard.

Voted, To allow the Tyngsborough Brass Band, the free use of the Town Hall to rehearse in, provided they keep it clean and safe.

Voted, To raise one thousand dollars for schools.

Voted, To raise three hundred dollars for incidental expenses.

Voted, To raise seven hundred dollars for roads and bridges.

Voted, To raise four hundred dollars for pay of town officers.

Voted, To raise one thousand dollars to pay bridge debt.

Voted, To raise one hundred and fifty dollars for books and school supplies.

Voted, Not to raise one hundred dollars for transportation of school children.

Voted, to indefinitely postpone Art. No. 9, of the Warrant.*

Voted, To pass Article No. 11.

Voted, To indefinitely postpone Article No. 12.

Voted, To close the polls for voting on licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors. Votes cast, No 34; Yes, 57; total, 91.

Voted, To take up Article No. 11.

Voted, That the public library be moved to the room over the one where it now is.

Voted, That the Board of Trustees be a Committee to remove the same, in accordance with the last vote.

Voted, To dissolve the meeting.

Record of Meeting holden April 22, 1889.

Voted, To dispense with second reading of the warrant.

Voted, To raise one hundred dollars to carry school children to and from school if deemed advisable by the committee.

*For copy of warrant see report of last year.

Voted, To reconsider vote to raise one hundred dollars for carrying school children.

Voted, Not to raise one hundred dollars to carry children to and from school in the various parts of the Town.

Voted, To choose two School Committee for three years, two for two years, and two for one year.

Voted, Not to raise any money for the use of the Public Library.

Voted, To choose a committee to obtain, if possible, one of the guns formerly used by the Militia Company of this town for training purposes, and present it to Hon. Geo. F. Richardson, in behalf of the town.

Chose, R. B. Sherburne, John Parham, Daniel Parham, committee.

Voted, Not to excuse A. M. Swain from serving as a member of the School Committee.

Voted, Not to instruct the Assessors, who may be in office for the next ten years following April 22, 1889, to abate the taxes of any person or corporation, who may locate in this Town to do manufacturing business.

R. B. SHERBURNE,

Town Clerk.

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